

APPROVED MINUTES

Environmental Quality Advisory Board 7447 E. Indian School Rd., Ste. 105 Scottsdale, AZ Wednesday, October 20, 2004 5:15 p.m.

1) Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board was called to order by Chair Basinger at 5:17 p.m., noting the presence of a quorum

2) Roll Call and Approval of 9/22/04 meeting minutes

Members Present: Dan Basinger, Chair

Don Manthe, Vice Chair

Michele Cohen Ron Hand Brian Munson Randy Nussbaum

Jay Spector

City Staff Present: Larry Person

Chuck Skidmore Anthony Floyd Beth Miller

Other Attendees: Andrea Tintle

On motion made by Board Member Spector and seconded by Board Member Hand, the minutes for the 9/22/04 meeting were approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

3) Old Business

City Parks Recycling Update

Board Member Spector advised the Board that he would be meeting with Judy Wise and park staff on Friday regarding the pilot program for parks. He stated that the following issues would be discussed:

- i.) resources for recycling containers,
- ii.) identifying staffing and collection issues,
- iii.) interaction with the Solid Waste Department.
- iv.) Identifying needs from both the city's and the park's perspective

Board Member Spector reminded the Board that the park at DC Ranch had been selected as the location for the pilot program due to heavy use and that the launch date was anticipated to be in February or March.

Noise Ordinance Draft and Update

Chair Basinger reviewed the recommendations from the Board to City Council, which included revisiting operational issues for GoPeds, ensure that the noise mitigation booklet reviewed by Mr. Little in relation to transportation issues was available to the public, and review the notification procedures for fireworks. He referred to a copy of the ordinance included in the Board Member packets and pointed out that several minor changes had been made.

The Board Members discussed the recommendations. Chair Basinger reported that changes relative to GoPed operation had gone to legal staff. He commented on a statement in the owner's manual restricting the use of the vehicle to private property, due to safety concerns.

Mr. Person referred to two iterations of the condensed version of the noise mitigation booklet. He asked for feedback from the Board Members.

Chair Basinger stated that the new city fire department was rewriting ordinances for inclusion in the City Code. Mr. Person explained that the fire department was in the process of evaluating the handling of fireworks applications and that a policy or ordinance would be drafted.

Update on LEED resolution

Mr. Floyd distributed copies of the most recent draft of the resolution, reflecting changes made by staff. He noted that Mr. Goff had asked for figures on payback in five years as opposed to twenty years. He referred to the options and recommendations listed on the last page.

Chair Basinger expressed concern as to timing issues, and encouraged moving along with the process. Discussion ensued. Mr. Person commented that a cap of five percent for override costs might calm the fears of many who might object to the resolution. It was also suggested that certification at the gold level should be stated in the recommendations. It was also suggested that circulation among various departments for comment would be appropriate.

4) New Business

EnviroKidsFest '05

Mr. Person reported that the third planning meeting would be held on October 28, 2004. He advised that 1500 fourth graders were anticipated and that six activities would be held. The 2005 KidsFest is scheduled for Thursday, April 28 at WestWorld. He also noted that additional sponsors are still needed.

Andrea Tintle announced that the Sun Festival would be held She thanked the Board for its support for Sol Fest. Ms. Tintle stated that they were applying for non-profit status, talking to potential keynote speakers, and were ramping up marketing efforts. She was optimistic as to continued success of the event. McDowell Mountain Music Festival.

5) Standing Committee Reports

Water Committee.

Vice Chair Manthe stated that he, Ms. Miller and Board Member Munson has met and discussed interaction between the Water Committee and the Water Department, the State Drought Plan, and the city of Scottsdale's Drought Plan. He referred to two documents relative to water policy, water rights etc. Vice Chair Manthe noted that the next Arizona Town Hall would focus on water issues.

Board Member Munson noted that drought issues had been the focus of

their discussion, but that conservation issues were discussed as well. He stated that the city's drought plan is available on the WEB, and reviewed the salient elements of the plan.

Vice Chair Manthe discussed water use in Arizona and rural and municipal water issues. He advised the Board of a meeting of the Arizona Municipal Water Users Association on October 29, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. 2004 at 4041 N. Central, and encouraged interested Board Members to attend.

Energy Committee Task Force.

Board Member Spector announced that an agenda and date for the first meeting was forthcoming. He also stated that the Task Force had received its first application for the Energy Advisory Committee.

Green Building Report

Board Member Cohen reviewed the October meeting of the Green Building Committee. She noted that she was the new Chair of the Committee and that Mr. Hand was Vice Chair. Board Member Cohen reported that October had been proclaimed Arizona Solar Renewable Energy and Sustainability Month as a result of a request from David Orr to the Mayor at the Expo kickoff event.

Mr. Skidmore reported on the following city facilities:

Senior Center - registered as LEED gold Multi-Purpose Facility – detail design meeting scheduled for the following week.

Mr. Floyd reported on residential activity, and stated that 20 percent of all standard plan permits are green, and ten percent of all custom permits. He noted that both percentages have shown an increase from the previous year. Board Member Cohen stated that the Residential Guidelines are going for final edit and that the Commercial Checklist is in the final draft stage.

Mr. Floyd reported that the Expo was considered a success by both vendors and attendees. He estimated that 1500 were in attendance for the Friday event and 2000 for the Saturday event. Mr. Floyd also reported on the Home Tour.

Updates and Reminders

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- a) Solar Lecture Series, October 21, 2004
- b) Green Lecture Series, November 4, 2004
- c) Household Hazardous Waste Day, Saturday November 6, 2004.
- d) The next Meeting is scheduled for 11/17/04.

Board Member Spector announced that a reception honoring elected officials and hosted by Southwest Ambulance and Scottsdale Leadership would be held on October 21, 2004. He encouraged attendance by interested Board Members.

7) Adjournment

Being duly moved and seconded, the regular meeting of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Swanberg